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SUBJECT: US/EC OUTSTANDING ISSUES

REF.: A. STATE 116352; B. GENEVA 7376 (NOTAL)

1. BELOW IS A TENTATIVE LIST OF US/EC OUTSTANDING ISSUES THAT NEED TO BE CLARIFIED OR RESOLVED BEFORE JULY 15. AS A CONTROL DEVICE TO MAKE SURE WE ARE BOTH FOCUSING OUR EFFORTS TO ELIMINATE REMAINING ISSUES AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE, MCDONALD AND DENMAN AGREED TO EXCHANGE ISSUE LISTS THIS WEEK TO DEVELOP A COMMON VIEW FOR ASSIGNING WORK PRIORITIES. ALL OF THE ITEMS EXCEPT THE LAST ONE (SUPPLEMENTARY MTN-RELATED ISSUES) HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED WITH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THEIR GENEVA DELEGATION AND REPRESENT A FIRST ATTEMPT AT A COMMON LIST. MTN DEL WOULD APPRECIATE A REVIEW BY WASHINGTON OF THESE ITEMS AND ADVICE AND REACTIONS ON THESE OR OTHER ISSUES THAT SHOULD BE INCLUDED.

2. IN VIEW OF THE SHORT TIME REMAINING BEFORE JULY 15, MTN DEL WOULD NOW IDEALLY HAVE NEGOTIATING INSTRUCTIONS

INDICATING ACCEPTABLE U.S. LATITUDES FOR FINALLY RESOLVING THESE ISSUES. SINCE THAT IS NOT ALWAYS THE CASE, WE ARE PROCEEDING WITH ACTIVE NEGOTIATIONS BASED ON EXISTING INSTRUCTIONS WHILE ACTIVELY SEARCHING OUT NEGOTIABLE PARAMETERS OF A FEASIBLE FINAL DEAL. AS THESE ARE DEVELOPED, THEY WILL BE COMMUNICATED TO WASHINGTON AS PROPOSALS FOR POLICY REVIEW. AS DISCUSSED DURING MY LAST VISIT, WE ARE NOW WELL BEYOND THE POINT OF POSTURING WITH UNREALISTIC POSITIONS AS A NEGOTIATING TACTIC. WE ARE CURRENTLY SEARCHING FOR A FINAL DEAL AND NEED TO CONCENTRATE ALL OF OUR ACTIVITIES ON OBTAINING OUR PREFERRED SOLUTIONS.

- 3. MANY OF THE ISSUES BELOW WILL ALSO BE COMMON ONES WITH OTHER NEGOTIATING PARTNERS. SIMILAR LISTS ARE ALSO BEING PREPARED FOR OTHER MAJOR NP'S INDICATING PARTICULAR PROBLEMS AS WELL AS COMMON ISSUES STILL REMAINING.
- 4. THE TENTATIVE LIST OF US/EC OUTSTANDING ISSUES TO BE CLARIFIED OR RESOLVED BEFORE JULY 15 IS AS FOLLOWS:
- A. CODES
- (1) CUSTOMS VALUATION
- (A) APPLICATION OF DEDUCTIVE METHOD LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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- (B) APPLICATION OF COMPUTED VALUE
- (C) FINAL VALUATION STANDARD
- (D) METHODS TO TEST ACCEPTABILITY OF INVOICE PRICE
- (E) (P.M. NEED COMMON TEXT IN EARLY JUNE TO ALLOW MULTILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS.)
- (2) GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT
 - (A) EX-POST TRANSPARENCY
 - (B) CONDITIONS ON SINGLE TENDERING
 - (C) OFFSETS
 - (D) COVERAGE
- (3) LICENSING
 - (A) MODE FOR NEGOTIATIONS
 - (B) PRINCIPAL FOCUS OF TEXT (LDC OR EASTERN EUROPEAN PROCEDURES)
 - (C) DEFINITION OF AUTOMATIC IMPORT LICENSING
- (4) STANDARDS

- (A) LEVELS OF OBLIGATIONS
- (B) ACCESS TO NATIONAL AND REGIONAL CERTIFICATION SYSTEMS
- (C) DISPUTE SETTLEMENT PROVISIONS
- (D) APPLICABILITY TO AGRICULTURE
- (5) SUBSIDIES/COUNTERVAIL
 - (A) GUIDELINES FOR DOMESTIC SUBSIDIES
 - (B) DEFINITION OF EXPORT SUBSIDY
 - (C) ILLUSTRATIVE LISTS OF EXPORT AND DOMESTIC SUBSIDIES
 - (D) DUAL PRICING CRITERION
 - (E) AGRICULTURAL SUBSIDIES

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- (F) INJURY CRITERIA
- (G) DISPUTE SETTLEMENT PROVISIONS
- (H) (P.M. NEED COMMON TEXT IN EARLY JUNE TO ALLOW MULTILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS.)
- (6) S&D PROVISIONS
- B. AGRICULTURE
- (1) GRAINS
 - (A) LEVEL AND USE OF NOTIONAL PRICES
 - (B) SIZE OF STOCKING (WHEAT)
 - (C) ACCESS PROVISIONS

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- (D) HANDLING OF REQUESTS/OFFERS
- (E) RESTRAINTS ON RESTITUTION PAYMENTS
- (F) INCORPORATION IN MTN
- (2) DAIRY
 - (A) CLARIFICATION OF CONCERTED DISCIPLINES
 - (B) U.S. PARTICIPATION IN MINIMUM PRICE ARRANGEMENTS
 - (C) U.S. CVD ON CHEESE/EC PROPOSAL
 - (D) LEGAL IMPLICATIONS RE GATT
- (3) MEAT
 - (A) CLARIFICATION OF CONCERTED DISCIPLINES
 - (B) BILATERAL REQUESTS/OFFERS
 - (C) LEGAL IMPLICATIONS RE GATT
- (4) OTHER PRODUCTS
 - (A) BILATERAL REQUESTS/OFFERS
- (5) CODES APPLICABILITY AND/OR MODIFICATION NEEDED
 - (A) SUBSIDY-COUNTERVAIL
 - (B) STANDARDS
 - (C) SAFEGUARDS
- C. TARIFFS
- (1) FINAL CUT OBJECTIVE
- (2) POSSIBILITIES FOR ADJUSTMENTS IN OFFERS

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- (A) TIMING OF IMPROVEMENTS OR WITHDRAWALS
- (B) TIMETABLE FOR SPECIFYING ELEMENTS NEEDED FOR FINAL BARGAINING
- (C) RELATIONSHIP TO CANADA AND JAPAN
- (D) FINAL BARGAINING ON PRODUCTS OF PARTICULAR INTEREST
- (3) STAGING/CONDITIONALITY
- (4) "FREE RIDE" PROBLEM
- D. THE TRADING SYSTEM
- (1) SAFEGUARDS
 - (A) PROCEDURES FOR/DISCIPLINE ON SELECTIVE APPLICATION
 - (B) ROLE OF SIGNATORY COMMITTEE RE ACTION IN GENERAL AND SELECTIVE APPLICATION
 - (C) DOMESTIC PROCEDURES
 - (D) TRANSPARENCY IN GOVERNMENT/PRIVATE RESTRAINT ARRANGEMENTS
 - (E) PHASEOUT OF EXISTING SAFEGUARD MEASURES
 - (F) (P.M. NEED COMMON TEXT IN EARLY JUNE TO ALLOW MULTILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS.)
- (2) FRAMEWORK
 - (A) ENABLING CLAUSE
 - (B) BALANCE OF PAYMENTS RESTRAINT
 - (C) GRADUATION
 - (D) EXPORT CONTROLS
- (3) DISPUTE MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES
- E. OTHER

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- (1) EASTERN EUROPE
 - (A) PROSPECTS FOR MTN RECIPROCITY
 - (B) SECTORAL IMPORT COMMITMENTS
- F. SUPPLEMENTARY MTN-RELATED ISSUES

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- (1) IMPLEMENTATION OF TOKYO ROUND RESULTS (ESPECIALLY CODES)
 - (A) TIMING
 - (B) INSTITUTIONAL REQUIREMENTS
 - (C) ANY SPECIAL ASPECTS FOR THE "RUNNING IN" PERIOD?
- (2) LDC ADHERENCE TO CODES/GATT ACCESSION
- (3) INITIATION OF DIALOGUE ON POST-TOKYO ROUND ROLE OF GATT
- (A) FOLLOW-UP ON NTM'S ("NEGOTIATIONS OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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(B) SURVEILLANCE/TRADE POLICY COORDINATION

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